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SUBJECT: TROPICAL PRODUCTS CONSULTATIONS-- INDIA

REF: STATE 060198

1. EMBOFF MET WITH S. S. SAXENA, JOINT SECRETARY KUMAR'S DEPUTY, TO REVIEW LANDE-KUMAR CONSULTATIONS OF MARCH 4. FOLLOWING REPRESENTS SAXENA'S COMMENTS, SUPPORTED BY OTHER MEMBERS OF HIS STAFF WHO WERE PRESENT, AND REVIEW OF NOTES TAKEN BY EMBOFF DURING MARCH 4 MEETING.

2. FIGURES IN PARA ONE REFTEL ARE ACCURATE IN TERMS OF RUPEES. DOLLAR SIGNS IN TEXT AS TRANSMITTED ARE APPARENTLY TYPOGRAPHICAL ERRORS. FIGURES, HOWEVER, REFER TO INDIAN FISCAL YEAR APRIL 1974-MARCH 1975.

3. SAXENA CONFIRMED THAT GOI LIST OF PRIORITY ITEMS FOR IMPROVEMENT OF U.S. OFFER IS A SELECTION FROM ITEMS IN ORIGINAL REQUEST ON WHICH U.S. HAD NOT RESPONDED. SAXENA ACCEPTED DIFFICULTY OF U.S. RESPONSE IN GARLIC, TOBACCO AND MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS

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SUCH AS TIRES. GOI CONTINUED TO HOPE THAT WASHINGTON WILL GIVE POSITIVE RESPONSE ON OTHER WALNUTS, BASMATI RICE, EDIBLE PREPARATIONS, BUFFALO LEATHER AND JUTE. PRODUCTS.

4. AS FOR BOMBAY DUCK, WHICH GOI HAD BELIEVED TO FALL IN TSUS 113.07, THEY DOUBT THAT 113.50 IS APPROPRIATE CATEGORY SINCE PRODUCT IS NOT PACKED IN OIL. THEY WILL REVIEW MORE RECENT TSUS

AND BE BACK IN TOUCH WITH US.

5. IMPORT LICENSING POLICY DESCRIBED PARA FIVE REFTEL IS ACCURATE "IN BROAD TERMS" TO USE SAXENA'S WORDS. IT IS CORRECT THAT GOI HAS AUTHORITY TO CHANGE LICENSING REGULATIONS AND TARIFF LEVELS AT ANY TIME. (COMMENT: IN ADDITION TO FOUR CATEGORIES, REGISTERED EXPORTERS MAY IMPORT CERTAIN ITEMS UNDER SYSTEM OF REPLENISHMENT LICENSES.)

6. GOI AWAITS RESPONSE FROM U.S. WITH REGARD TO IDENTITY OF SPECIFIC PRODUCTS TARGETED BY U.S. REQUESTS FOR TARIFF CONCESSIONS ON ARTIFICIAL RESINS AND VEGETABLE PROTEINS.

7. WITH REGARD TO RUGS, TODAY'S CONVERSATION WAS NOT CONCLUSIVE. WE INTEND TO HAVE FURTHER MEETING AND WILL REPORT ON GOI LATER.

8. IT IS SAXENA'S UNDERSTANDING THAT THERE WERE NO FURTHER MATTERS PENDING IN THE TROPICAL PRODUCTS AREA.

9. SITUATION WITH REGARD TO ALMONDS IS ACCURATELY REFLECTED IN STATE 062794.

10. ECONOMIC TIMES OF MARCH 23 CARRIES EXTENSIVE ARTICLE DATE LINED BRUSSELS REPORTING ON JOINT MEMORANDUM TO THE EEC COMMISSION SUBMITTED BY INDIA, BANGALADESH, PAKISTAN, AND SRI LANKA. IT IS INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT MANY OF THE PRODUCTS FOR WHICH TRADE CONCESSIONS ARE BEING REQUESTED FROM THE EEC BY SOUTH ASIAN COUNTRIES DUPLICATE ITEMS ON RECENT GOI LIST TO US: E.G; BASMATI RICE, MARINE PRODUCTS, UNMANUFACTURED TOBACCO, GARLIC AND WALNUTS. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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